



**COUNTY OF PLACER  
FISH & GAME COMMISSION**

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**PLACER COUNTY  
FISH & GAME COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**TIME/DATE: 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY July 27, 2016**

**LOCATION: PLACER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING ROOM  
Community Development Resource Agency, DeWitt Center, Auburn  
3091 County Center Drive (corner of Bell Road and Richardson Drive)**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER – Kari Freidig**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Daniels, Fowler, Freidig, Gould, Flanagan

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR July 27, 2016 AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF June 22, 2016**

Agenda: Flanagan/Daniels/*MPUV*

Minutes: Fowler/Gould/*MPUV*

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Individuals may address the Commission on items under the jurisdiction of the Fish and Game Commission not included on this agenda for no longer than five (5) minutes. ***No action can be taken on items addressed under Public Comment.***

None

**V. FINANCIAL REPORT – Ed King**

Expenditures through June totaled \$6,107 including \$1,560 in commissioner's fees, \$1,541 in mileage reimbursement, \$1000 for secretary, \$675 for media services, and \$1000 payment to DFW's decoy vendor from 2 restitution payments received in March.

Court fines and penalty assessments through June totaled \$1,415 and account interest totaled \$154.

## **VI. AGENCY REPORTS -**

### **A. Commission Updates**

- Fowler – Patrolled Foresthill area on a ride-along with Wildlife Officer Adam Kraft.
- Flanagan – Village at Squaw proposal includes restoration of Squaw Creek; possible item for the commission to look into.
- Freidig – Attended bear video planning meeting with County staff.

### **B. State Fish & Game Commission Subcommittee – Mark Fowler**

- Non-lead ammunition Phase 2 requirements (non-lead shot required for taking upland game birds) went into effective 7/1/16; final implementation of ban goes into effect 7/1/19.
- California ivory ban is now in effect.
- Kokanee fingerlings have been release in lakes and reservoirs.
- CDFW Big Game grant program has awarded funding to projects (none in Placer).
- Volunteer clean up at Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area - Little Dry Creek Refuge is on 8/6/16.

### **C. California Department of Fish & Wildlife – Lt. John Lawson**

- Fishing activity is slow because of high water temperatures.
- Reports of illegal deer baiting on the rise with archery deer season opening soon.
- CDFW has hired a non-law enforcement individual assigned to the Basin to service bear issue calls.
- New deer decoy is in production; Sierra County also contributed \$1000 toward construction/purchase; also planning to purchase a second decoy from additional Sierra County restitution.
- Suction dredging is an ongoing problem; CDFW does not issue permits; DAs in some counties will not file cases.
- Increased Tahoe boat patrols making 75-100 daily contacts with a small increase in violations—mostly safety related.
- New Wildlife Trafficking Team is looking for illegal animals coming into the county, targeting sellers, and reducing supply and demand.

### **D. Nevada Irrigation District/PCWA -**

PCWA- Ben Ransom

French Meadows is at 5,245' (112,000 AF)

Hell Hole is at 4,592' (163,000 AF)

El Dorado NF is close to opening Big Meadows campground near Hell Hole (if its not open already). Whitewater boating flows in Middle Fork American are being released 7 days per week through September.

Folsom is at 420.8 (535,000 AF); Lower American River is flowing at 5,000 cfs, The reservoir is projected to be at 392' (328,000 AF) by the end of September.

NID- Sue Sindt

234,400 AF in storage; 113% of average; 91% capacity. Even without any mandatory restrictions, treated water customers achieved a 20% reduction in June as compared to 2013.

### **NON-ACTION ITEMS**

#### **VII. Guest Speaker Dr. Heidi Perryman; Beaver Restoration in Urban Creeks**

Dr. Perryman discussed how the city of Martinez is living with beavers that moved into the community in 2007. Amid initial concern of their arrival, the beavers have since become welcome and very visible in Alhambra Creek within downtown Martinez. The beaver activity enhanced the local ecosystem and the installation of flow devices has resolved water diversion concerns. Perryman founded Worth a Dam, a non-profit organization, to support the Martinez beavers through conservation and education. It has since won the John Muir award for their efforts.

#### **VIII. 2016-17 Commission Grant Program and Timeline Update**

Grant applications will open in August and close October 5, 2016. Awards to be determined at the Commission's October 26 meeting. Available balance is \$4800.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **IX. 2016-17 Commission Officer Elections**

Flanagan/Gould motioned to nominate Kari Freidig as President and Mark Fowler as Vice Chair/*MPUV*.

#### **X. Adjournment 7:40 p.m.**